

LOCAL NEWS.

FIRE—The alarm of fire about a quarter past eleven o'clock last night was caused by the destruction, together with most of its contents, of the slaughter house of Mr. Jno. Wesley Benter, at West End. The loss is estimated at \$1000, for which there is no insurance. The building was formerly the stable attached to the residence of Mr. Jos. Bruin, and stood in the immediate rear of that property. It belonged to Mr. Charles Mankin, of Annapolis. Part of it was still used as a stable, in which Mr. Benter kept his horse, a buggy, two wagons and a cow, all of which were rescued, but a sheep, two hogs and five dogs, three of which were valuable hunters, were consumed, and the terror they evoked and the torture they endured are described as intense by those who witnessed their sufferings. Messrs. Fred. Malcher and Mike Schuler, brothers, also used the building as their slaughter house, the former losing the live sheep alluded to above, and a beef and a half, ready for market, and the latter a half a beef. Mr. Benter lost a lot of hay and corn, a cutting box and all his butchering tools. The two steam fire engines and the Relief Hook and Ladder Company were soon on the spot and prevented the spread of the flames, the horses being detached from the hydraulic engine, and that apparatus dragged by hand to a neighboring cistern—the roof of the house over which being removed for the purpose—from which it obtained a supply of water, and the members of the Relief Hook and Ladder Company forming an old-time fire line and passing along buckets from other wells near by. The fire was undoubtedly the work of an incendiary.

ROBBERY—A colored man named William Green, while under the influence of liquor at Fishtown, night before last, was robbed of his coat and all the money he had by five other colored men with whom he had been drinking, and who, after they had "gone through" him, picked him up and pitched him through an open window into the house of a colored woman there named Sophronia Ferguson. The thieves—William Madala, George Henderson, Wm. Jackson, Tip Gray and Toney Grant—being known, the police were soon on their track, and yesterday succeeded in capturing the two first named, who are now in jail, where it is thought the others soon will be. Madala, who is a lot of foot, got so far away from his pursuers that he thought he was safe, and commenced making derisive signs at them from the hills near the canal, but one of them being taken up behind a passing horseman and carried by a circuitous route to a position in his rear, soon effected his arrest.

THE FIRST FRUITS.—Mr. W. W. Wright, a wealthy banker of the city of Buffalo, New York, has just purchased about six hundred acres, a part of the original Gunston estate, in Fairfax county, Va., immediately on the Potomac, a few miles from this city, and adjoining the fine home-lands of Col. Edward Daniels and Col. James M. Lewis, for the sum of twenty thousand dollars. Mr. Wright is an influential and progressive man, and designs establishing for himself a permanent home on our beautiful river border, and expects many others to join him in the occupancy of the desirable lands of that inviting neighborhood. If we mistake not this movement is but the beginning of a great tidal wave of immigration of enterprising, progressive settlers to our river borders. The Upper Potomac Steamboat Co. is furnishing a cheap and ready means of communication between our city and the inviting regions of the upper Potomac valley certainly deserve the thanks of all our people.

POLICE REPORT—The following cases have been reported at police headquarters since yesterday afternoon:

Henry Brown, a "runner" hailing from Richmond, was committed to the work house. William Madala and George Henderson, colored, for robbing William Green, also colored, were committed to jail for further examination. Horace Wood, colored, for fast driving in the streets, was fined and discharged.

Ike Lomax, colored, for interfering with the chain gang, was sent to jail for three months.

Three soldiers in Fort Fort, for disorderly conduct on the streets, were locked up for examination.

The above cases were before the Mayor.

Justice Padgett decided that Andrew Schuler, charged with a trespass upon Enoch Cook, should give security to keep the peace, but an appeal was taken by the defendant.

Ten lodgers applied for and obtained accommodated at the station house last night.

FESTIVAL.—The festival in progress at the Assembly Rooms for the benefit of Grace Church continues to be attractive to both young and old people, large numbers of whom are constantly in attendance. Among the various articles on exhibition is a model house, made and presented to the festival by Messrs. Wm. H. Jenkins and Aaron Coleman. It is a unique piece of mechanism, and attracts general attention. It and its contents were constructed entirely by hand, and the parlor furniture, and every other appurtenance of a palatial dwelling, can be seen within its walls. It will be disposed of to-night.

ANOTHER STEAM CANAL BOAT.—Messrs. Parrish, Stewart, Adams & Co., of Rochester, made a trial trip on the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal, at Cumberland, on Thursday last, with their steam canal boat, Thomas Moore. She made two miles in twenty-six minutes, with less than thirty pounds of steam. The jar of the boat in driving was barely noticeable, while the disturbance of the water by the paddles was very small. In a few days they expect to bring her to Georgetown, and in the spring will renew their work, intending to introduce their engines on the canal.

SAVED FROM THE WRACK.—As will be seen by reference to the Marine News in to-day's paper a vessel has arrived here having on board a small portion of the cargo of the lost steamer Louisiana which she picked up at the mouth of the river. During the last few days several vessels have passed by here on their way to Washington and Georgetown, also having on board portions of the cargo of that ill-fated steamer.

ON THE WRONG TRACK.—A constable from Fredericksburg arrived here last night in response, he said, to a telegram he had received stating that the horse thief who had lately escaped from that town had been arrested and was confined here, but when he took out the dispatch and read it over again he found that it had been sent from another quarter of the State.

FIRES.—The several fires that have occurred in this city during the current month lead to the belief—strengthened by the discovery of a late attempt to fire the drug store of Mr. Henry Cook, on King street—that incendiaries are at work here. There is a standing reward for the arrest of such miscreants, and it is to be hoped that they may be detected.

RESUMED COAL SHIPMENTS.—Contrary to previous orders, a telegram was received here, this morning, directing that all the boats of the Hampshire and Baltimore Coal Company now here or laid up along the canal should be sent back to Cumberland for the purpose of bringing more coal to tide water before the suspension of canal navigation.

A NEW ENTERPRISE.—We understand that Mr. Dennis Smith, of Western New York, designs establishing at Gunston, on the Potomac, the business of boat building in all its branches.

THE SHIP YARD.—Among the arrivals at this port to-day was that of the schooner Restless, from Bangor, Maine, with a cargo of spars for the ship yard that has lately been established here, and which will soon be ready for any work in the ship building or repairing line.

MARKET STALLS AT A DISCOUNT.—Mr. Whittington, the Clerk of the Market, offered two of the best stalls in the market house for rent by auction this morning, but there were no bidders.

THE WEATHER.—There was a "spit" of snow about half past ten o'clock last night, and early this morning a refreshing shower of rain, which has laid the dust for at least a day or two.

FRATERNAL VISIT.—Oscola Tribe of Red Men of this city, will pay Black Hawk Tribe of Washington, a fraternal visit on the 25th inst.

Dr. Ball's Cough Syrup should be kept in every family. A slight cough, if unchecked, is often the forerunner of Consumption, and a timely dose of this wonderful medicine has rescued many from an early grave.

From Druggists.

There is no case of Dyspepsia that Green's August Flower will not cure. Go to the druggists of this city and inquire about it. If you suffer from indigestion, Sick Headache, Sour Stomach, Indigestion, Liver Complaint or Derangement of the system, try it. Two or three doses will relieve you.

Bosch's German Syrup is now sold in every town and city in the United States. We have not less than five hundred letters from druggists saying it is the best medicine they ever sold for Consumption, Throat or Lung Disease. Sample bottle of either 10 cts. Regular size 75 cts. For sale by HENRY COOK & CO., Wholesale Agents nov 16-62m

CHOPPING AXES, of Hunt's, Mann's, Roy's and other celebrated manufacturers, for sale by the box or single axe. Also an assortment of AXE HANDLES. Call at 88 King street, on the corner of Royal, nov 20 J. T. CRIGGINGTON & SON.

JUST RECEIVED—200 pieces new-style known, the police were soon on their track, and yesterday succeeded in capturing the two first named, who are now in jail, where it is thought the others soon will be. Madala, who is a lot of foot, got so far away from his pursuers that he thought he was safe, and commenced making derisive signs at them from the hills near the canal, but one of them being taken up behind a passing horseman and carried by a circuitous route to a position in his rear, soon effected his arrest.

E. E. SMITH'S CRUSHED WHEAT just received by J. C. MILBURN. nov 20

CHOICE GROCERIES.

Just received—A lot of KENTUCKY SUGAR-CURED HAMS, small average. These Hams are warranted to our customers as superior to any sold in the market.

SMOKED BEEF and **BREAKFAST BACON**. POTOMAC SHAD, of my own curing. 100 dozen CANNED GOODS.

PURE CIDER VINEGAR, four years old. **SPORED PICKLES**, together with everything usually found in first-class grocery houses. **JOSEPH BOPKINS, Grocer,** nov 17 No. 5 north Fairfax street.

A CARD.—HAVING concluded to close out my business, I give notice to all in want of STOVES, RANGES, FURNACES, TIN, COPPER, and SHEETIRON WARE, to call on me before purchasing elsewhere, where they can get them at

TWENTY PER CENT LESS than the regular price. My stock embraces the very best that can be found, and I intend to close out at very low figures. Country merchants and others in want of anything in my line will do well by giving me a call. Also JOBBING done in the very best manner. **ENOCH GRIMES,** oct 16-41m 49 King street.

GEORGE W. FRANCIS, (Successor to G. E. Entwistle,) DEALER IN

China, Glass and Crockery,

NO. 157 KING STREET, ALEXANDRIA, VA.

Constantly on hand a full assortment of goods in the above line. Also, COAL OIL, LAMPS and FIXTURES.

All customers served with promptness and satisfaction guaranteed. **THIRD TRIP NORTH THIS SEASON.**

LARGE ACCESSIONS TO OUR STOCK OF DRY GOODS.

We have just returned from the North and are now opening a great many cheap and seasonable Dry Goods, Notions, Hosiery, &c., &c., purchased at low prices, and will be sold at corresponding low figures.

D. F. BRASHEAR, & H. B. HOVENS, nov 19 109 King st., Alexandria, Va.

FRESH MEATS.

T. J. WATKINS, will, from and after this date, have for sale at his stalls, Nos. 10 and 12, in the Royal street wing of the market building, at reduced prices, the best **SALT and FRESH PORK and BEEF and VEAL and MUTTON** who market affords. Also a superior quality of **SAUSAGE MEAT**. Housekeepers will do well to give him a call. nov 19 21

NOTICE.—The Executive Committee of the "Old Students Society of St. John's Academy," consisting of H. J. Nevitt, Benjamin H. Lambert, C. E. Stuart, Jr., T. A. Broadus, and George S. Smith, will meet at my office to-morrow (FRIDAY) night at 8 o'clock. **S. C. NEALE, President.** 21

MORE CLOAKS.

LATEST STYLES.

Just opened at **D. F. WITMER CO'S.** nov 19

AUGUST FLOWER FOR DYSPEPSIA.—I have this day received a supply of the above panacea for dyspepsia, which I am now offering in quantities to suit. Call and try a sample bottle. Price 10c. **W. F. CREIGHTON,** nov 19 85 King street

CHEAP DRESS GOODS.

Just received some choice styles and colors in **LOW-PRICED DRESS GOODS.** Also a carefully selected stock of **CALICOES**, in all the latest designs. **D. F. WITMER CO.** nov 19

STAMPING! **STAMPING!** Any width pattern under 2 1/2 inches 5c per yard, 3 inches 10c per yard, 4 inches 15c per yard, at the wholesale Stamping Department of **GREEN'S NOTION HOUSE** and Hair Goods Manufactory.

OFFICE OF SOUTHERN CHURCHMAN. Alexandria, Nov. 19th, 1874. Mr. G. Edwin Entwistle is no longer connected with the office of the Southern Churchman. nov 19-31 **D. F. SPRIGG.**

SMALL HAMS, Shoulders and Breakfast Bacon just received and for sale at lowest rates. **GEO. McBURNIE & SON,** nov 19 106 and 170 King street.

TRAVEL ON KING'S BRIDGE is suspended from and after Thursday, Nov. 19th, for repairs. **W. C. HUNTER,** nov 19-31 Supt. Alex. Canal R. R. & Co.

VERY OLD PORT, pure juice, suitable for church purposes, just received by **GEO. McBURNIE & SON,** nov 19 106 and 170 King street.

STRAINED HONEY, Prime butter and Buckwheat Flour just received by **J. C. MILBURN.** nov 19

SWITCHES at 12c each at **GREEN'S NOTION HOUSE** and Hair Goods Manufactory.

FRONT PLANTS at 25c, worth 51c, at **GREEN'S NOTION HOUSE** and Hair Goods Manufactory.

HILL'S GRAHAM FLOUR for sale by **GEO. McBURNIE & SON,** nov 19 106 and 170 King street.

BOARD AND LODGING, OR TABLE BOARD, first-class, can be had by addressing A. B., Gazette office. nov 16-1w

TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

[SPECIAL DISPATCHES TO THE GAZETTE.]

Snow.

NEW YORK, Nov. 20.—Snow fell here for a short time this morning, but soon turned to a heavy northeast rain storm, which continues. **OMAHA, Nov. 20.**—The recent snow storm was much heavier on the Overland route, west of Cheyenne than here, and a snow blockade on the railroad is feared. The Western Union wires which were prostrated temporarily by the severity of the storm, are again in good working order to California and Montana.

PORT COLBORNE, Oct. Nov., 20.—Three inches of snow fell last night and it is still snowing.

Fire.

NEW YORK, Nov. 20.—On Thursday morning an incendiary fire occurred at Katonah, Westchester county, N. Y., which destroyed the building known as the "Old Hotel," which was unoccupied, and A. F. Avery's store, loss twenty five thousand. Other losers are Deacon, restaurant; Henry Smith, druggist; Albert Lyon, carriage factory; Fleming's blacksmith shop, and two tenement houses owned by Bernard Froons valued at about \$3500 a piece. The total loss is about \$45,000.

Prince Gortchakoff.

BERLIN, Nov. 20.—Prince Gortchakoff, Russian Foreign Minister, who has been sojourning here for several days had a long, final interview with Prince Bismarck to-day, after which he took his departure for St. Petersburg. During Prince Gortchakoff's stay here, in a private conversation he expressed his confidence in the maintenance of the peace of Europe for many years.

Put Back.

SAN SEBASTIAN, Nov. 20.—Several steamships with republican troops on board which sailed from here for Santander, put back to-day in consequence of heavy weather at sea. The supply of provisions in the city is short even for the usual inhabitants and the unexpected return of these soldiers, who must be fed, causes much distress.

Disastrous Fire.

PITTSBURG, Nov. 20.—A disastrous fire is raging in the town of Brookville, in Jefferson county, Pa. No details have as yet been furnished, owing to the confusion prevailing there.

Weather Probabilities.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 20, 11 a. m. For the Middle States, threatening weather and rain or snow with a slight rise of temperature and falling barometer followed by lower temperature and south or west winds during Friday night and Saturday.

The Markets.

NEW YORK, Nov. 20.—Stocks dull. Money 3/4. Gold 114. Flour dull and unchanged. Wheat quiet and unchanged. Corn dull and unchanged. **BALTIMORE, Nov. 20.**—W. A. consolidated, 34 1/2. W. A. 123. Cotton steady at 14 1/4. Flour firm, in fair demand, and unchanged. Wheat steady and in good demand; No. 1 amber Western 126 1/2; No. 2 do 122; fair to prime do 116 1/2; other grades unchanged. Corn quiet; white Southern 73 3/4; yellow do 73 1/2; old mixed Western nominal. Oats dull; Southern 62 1/2; Western mixed 60 1/2; do white 63 1/2. Rye dull at 95 1/2. Hay dull and unchanged. Coffee firm at 18 1/2. Sugar firmer and higher.

Amusements.

GRAND EXHIBITION AT PEABODY SCHOOL BUILDING ON MONDAY EVENING, NOVEMBER 22d. Prof. D. F. WOLFE, who will give his ILLUSTRATED LECTURES OF TRAVEL by the aid of the STEREOPANTASCOPE. Tickets 25 cents; children 15 cents. Proceeds to be applied to the purchase of furniture for the assembly room of the building. nov 20-31

Lost and Found.

LOST—Last night, in going to the fire, a POCKETBOOK containing from thirty-six to thirty-eight dollars and two receipts of John Kessler. The finder will be rewarded by returning it to C. SCHAFER, No. 3 north Fairfax street. nov 20-31

ESTRAYED OR STOLEN, from the premises of James Wilson, near Pleasant Valley P. O., Fairfax county, Va., on the morning of the 19th day of October, 1874, a LARGE BAY MARE, two years old, last May, about fifteen hands high, and has been ridden some, she has one white hind foot and scar on right fore foot, and heavy mane and tail. Any information leading to her recovery will be liberally rewarded. **A. R. JACOBS,** nov 17-1w Union, Loudoun county, Va.

EASTERN HERRING.

SHORE SPLIT AND ROUND HERRING, just received per schr. O. D. Withersell, from Boston, and for sale by **THOS. PERRY,** nov 7-1w 17 King street.

SHAWLS!

SHAWLS! Also a great variety of CLOTH and WOOLEN SHAWLS, cheap at **D. F. WITMER CO'S.** nov 7

GREAT BARGAINS AT R. L. WOOD'S. Twelve hundred pairs of Misses' and Children's Stockings to be sold very cheap. This is a lot of Hosiery that we bought at a closing out sale, and will be sold by us accordingly. nov 5

LADIES' SHAWLS, in great variety; Washable proof Cloths, all colors; Lambs' Wool and Merino Vests; all kinds of Ladies' and Children's Merino Goods, with a full stock of everything in our line. **ROBT. L. WOOD,** nov 8

POTATOES! **POTATOES!** A small cargo of choice MAINE POTATOES to arrive. For sale by **P. A. REED, Janney's wharf,** nov 5-1f

SILK HAIR NETS! **SILK HAIR NETS!** Only five cents each, at **GREEN'S NOTION HOUSE** and Hair Goods Manufactory. nov 16

COOK'S FLORAL COLOGNE—Call and try this new and delightful Perfume—only 25 cents a bottle. Prepared by **HENRY COOK & CO.,** oct 27 107 King street.

STAMPING—New lot of STAMPS just received, suitable for stamping Cashmere Squares, at **FERGUSON'S HAIR DEPOT,** nov 7 95 King street.

BOYS' ENGLISH SOCKS! **BOYS' ENGLISH SOCKS!** 12c cents per pair—worth 25c—at **GREEN'S NOTION HOUSE** and Hair Goods Manufactory. nov 17

BUTTONS! **BUTTONS!** Dress Buttons by the million at less than the cost of importation at **GREEN'S NOTION HOUSE** and Hair Goods Manufactory. nov 14

NEW CUCUMBER PICKLES, by the 100 or dozen, in store and for sale by **W. F. BROOKES,** oct 1 147 King street.

PERSONS IN WANT OF SLATE MANTELS and HEARSEs will do well by calling on **PEAKE & CO.,** 157 King st. sep 11

NEW YORK STATE ORDER—a very superior article—just received for sale by **GEO. McBURNIE & SON,** nov 17 106 and 170 King street.

A CHOICE LOT OF NEW YORK APPLIES at 10c and for sale low by **GEO. McBURNIE & SON,** nov 17 106 and 170 King street.

40 SACKS Rio, LaFayrta and Govt. Java Coffee in store and for sale at lowest current rates by **J. C. MILBURN.** oct 31

FALL CLOTHING.

My stock of FALL CLOTHING and GENTS' FURNISHING GOODS is now complete, comprising the greatest variety of SUITS, of the latest styles, best material and finest finish ever before offered.

I am doing a large business, with comparatively small expenses; hence my ability to sell cheaper than the like can be procured in larger cities. My stock being unsurpassed in variety and quality, you will do well to give me a call, and thereby save a large percentage.

S. DEALHAM, Fashionable Clothier, oct 9 89 King street.

Ladies' Misses' and Children's Boots, Shoes and Slippers.

We are this day receiving a full line of Ladies', Misses' and Children's Boots, Shoes and Slippers, suitable for Fall and Winter, embracing all of the latest styles. We solicit purchasers to call and examine for themselves, as they will be sold at low prices. **W. B. WADDEY, 74 King st.** sep 22

Special Notice.

GENTS' EXTRA FINE BOOTS AND SHOES.

We have just received a fresh supply of Gents' extra fine, hand-sewed Boots and Shoes, and Slippers of every description, which we unhesitatingly recommend to be the very best on sale in the city. **W. B. WADDEY,** sep 22 74 King street.

HOLIDAY GOODS.

HOLIDAY GOODS AT KRIS KRINGLE'S HEADQUARTERS, AT GREEN'S NOTION HOUSE.

Now receiving sample lots of Toy Carriages, Hobbies, Horses, Shooly Rockers, Wagons, Wheelbarrows, Propellers, Velocipedes, Baby Jumpers, Stick Horses, Bedsteads, Cribs, &c. Wholesale orders for these goods will be supplied from consignments at New York wholesale figures at **nov 12 GREEN'S NOTION HOUSE.**

PRIME HOME-MADE MINCE MEAT For sale by **J. T. CRUMP,** NO. 8 SOUTH FAIRFAX ST.

Price 12c cents per pound. nov 11-41

NEW CROP RAISINS, CURRANTS and CITRON just received by **nov 12 G. WM. RAMSAY.**

CRANBERRIES, Mince Meat and Apple Butter just received by **nov 31 G. WM. RAMSAY.**

LEMON PEEL, Citron and Currants for sale by **nov 14 K. B. LAWSON & CO.**

20 BBLs APPLES received and for sale by **nov 14 DAVY & HARMON.**

RAISINS—LAYER and Seedless RAISINS, just received. **R. B. LAWSON & CO.** nov 13

PRIME MINCE MEAT at **nov 18 RAMSAY'S.**

MEETINGS.

NOTICE.—The Annual Meeting of the stockholders of the VIRGINIA TELEGRAPH COMPANY will be held at the office of W. D. CORSE, Alexandria, Va., on WEDNESDAY, November 25th, 1874. **W. D. CORSE,** nov 7-2w3w Secretary and Treasurer.

OFFICE WASHINGTON CITY, VIRGINIA MIDLAND & GREAT SOUTHERN R. R. CO. Alexandria, Va., Nov. 6, 1874

NOTICE.—The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Washington City, Virginia Midland and Great Southern Railroad Company, will be held at the office of the Company, in Alexandria, on MONDAY, the 30th instant, at 12 o'clock m. By order of the Directors: **L. W. REE, Jr., Secretary.** The transfer book will be closed from the 15th instant until the adjournment of the above meeting. nov 6-6cd

BOOKS AND STATIONERY.

NEW AND CHOICE BOOKS **FRENCH'S**, No. 95 King street.

A History of Germany from the Earliest Times, founded on Dr. David Muller's History of the German People, by Charles T. Lewis. 1 vol., cloth. \$2.50.

Volume 10 of Bancroft's History of the United States. \$2.50.

Campanella on the Orus and the Fall of Khiva, by J. A. McGahan, correspondent of the New York Herald; splendidly illustrated; 1 vol., 8vo. \$3.75.

The Old Regime in Canada, by Francis Parkman; 1 vol., 8vo. \$2.50.

Campanella, a novel, by Mrs. Randolph. \$1.25.

Prosper Merimee's Letters to an Incognito, with Recollections by Lamartine and George Sand, edited by Richard Henry Stoddard. \$1.50.

West Lawn and the Rector of St. Mark's, by Mrs. J. H. Holmes. \$1.50.

John Thompson and Other Stories, by the author of "Dorothy Fox." \$1.25.

Risen from the Ranks, or Harry Walton's Success, by Horatio Alger, Jr. \$1.50.

Sportsman's Club Among the Trappers, by Harry Castleman. \$1.25.

Charles and Purse as Snow, by Mrs. M. C. Despard. \$1.

Bound by his Vows, or at the Altar, from the German of E. Werner. \$1.25.

The Loves and Other Stories, by Sarah Winter Kellogg. 40c.

A Modern Cressida, by Francis Asherton; and On the Church Steps, by Sarah C. Halliwell. 40 cents.

Lorna Doone, a Romance of Exmoor, by R. D. Blackmore. 75c.

Squire Arden, by Mrs. Oliphant. 75c.

Nass's Illustrated Almanac for 1875. 25c.

Josh Billings' Farmers' Almanac for 1875. 25 cents.

Hagerstown Almanacs for 1875 by the dozen or gross.

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